GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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HIKE IN FARES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government contemplate to give advertisement of chart showing the increased fare for all classes for all trains in all the leading national dailies across the country to enable the railway passengers to know about the precise increase in fares;

(b) if not, whether the Government contemplate to sell the said chart at nominal prices on the pattern of Railway Times Tables and the time by when the revised printed Railway Time Tables are likely to be ready;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor: and

(d) whether the Government propose to curb the practice of charging more fare than the actual for unreserved tickets at railway stations by booking staff in the absence of such chart from passengers who are in a hurry to catch the train?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O
RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (c): Each time the fares are revised, publicity is given through newspapers. Besides, the kilometer-wise fares are printed in Passenger Fare Table and Railway Time Tables. Passenger Fare Tables, which is priced at Rs. 10, can be purchased from Indian Railway Conference Association, Chelmsford Road, New Delhi. The revised Railway Time Table will be ready in July, 2002.

(d): Revised fares for different destinations are displayed on the notice-boards at booking offices, stamped on old stock of tickets and printed on tickets issued through Self Printing Ticketing Machines.Regular checks are also conducted to ensure correct charging. These measures minimise the chances of excess charging.